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- 5. The error of not naming Alfredo Contreras as an inventor of U.S. Patent No. 5,572,639 occurred without deceptive intent.
- 6. We each further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issuing thereon.

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